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Interview Summary

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Examiner

Bernard Krasnic

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Bernard Krasnic (Examiner).

(3) Mr. Brian Bianco (Reg. No. 51,471).

(2) Jingge Wu (SPE).

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 22 August 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: _____.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

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(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Bernard Krasnic
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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The Applicants representative, Mr. Brian Bianco, initiated a telephonic interview. He submitted two agendas which have been attached to this interview summary. Mr. Bianco suggested amending the limitation "mapping said display index values from the first set of data to a third set of data" in claim 1 with distance mapping. The Examiner mentioned that the Yoshida reference in page 970 [right column, "Similarity is defined in terms of the distance between the distance between the feature values of each data point"] might teach the possible amendment of distance mapping. Mr. Bianco understood the Examiners' interpretation and therefore the Examiner suggested incorporating to the limitation "mapping said display index values from the first set of data to a third set of data" with distance mapping where the distance mapping is dependent upon the distance from the centerline of the tubular structure. The end result was something in the lines of "distance mapping from the centerline of said display index values from the first set of data to a third set of data" respectively. The Examiner also mentioned that "mapping said display index values from the first set of data to a third set of data" is typically shape mapping as disclosed in paragraph 39 of the Applicants specification. The Applicant agreed and stated that paragraph 39 states that the mapping could be either shape mapping or distance mapping. To summarize, the Examiner agreed that the "distance mapping from the centerline" is not disclosed by the Yoshida reference and would overcome Yoshida's rejections, however, the Examiner could not suggest allowable subject matter without performing a detailed search for other possible art references.



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Dear Examiner Krasnic:

I apologize for the short notice, but I would also like to discuss clarifying the claim language. Specifically, I would like to discuss clarifying the "mapping" limitation of the independent claims. Please consider the impact of an amendment clarifying that the "mapping" limitation is "distance mapping". I look forward to speaking with you this afternoon.

Regards,

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Brian C. Bianco

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Dear Examiner Krasnic:

I would like to discuss your application of "hysteresis thresholding" as discussed in Yoshida to the claim limitation of claim 1 (and corresponding limitations in other independent claims) of "mapping said display index values from the first set of data to a third set of data".

Regards,

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